



### **Dr. Adewale Troutman, MD, MPH, MA**

Adewale Troutman, MD, MPH, MA has had a distinguished record of achievement in public health education, leadership, research, and advocacy. He became the Director of the Louisville Metro Health Department in January 2004 and also currently serves as an Associate Professor at the University of Louisville School of Public Health. Since coming to Louisville more than two years ago, Dr. Troutman has accomplished much including:

- The creation of the Center for Health Equity which focuses on eliminating health inequities based on race, ethnicity or socioeconomic status.
- The passage of a smoke-free ordinance for restaurants and workplaces throughout Louisville.
- The forging of a strong partnership between the University of Louisville School of Public Health and the Louisville Metro Health Department whereby public health students will research health needs in underserved areas of the city and design and implement interventions in collaboration with Health Department staff.
- The creation of a curriculum for a national environmental health institute in conjunction with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the publication of an all-disaster pocket manual to be distributed to health departments and other first responders throughout the nation.
- The establishment of the Center for the Elimination of Health Disparities at the Louisville Metro Health Department.
- The establishment of the *Mayor's Healthy Hometown Movement*, a community wide effort to motivate the citizens of Louisville to engage in more physical activity and to adopt healthier lifestyles.
- The implementation of the *Take Charge Challenge*, a worksite wellness program among Louisville Metro employees, and its replication at other worksites throughout the community.
- The establishment of an office of a Public Health and Emergency Preparedness at the Louisville Metro Health Department.
- The publication of *Health Status Assessment Report 2004*, the first detailed report on the state of Louisville's health as well as the publication of *Health Status Assessment Report 2005*.
- The development and implementation of a Louisville Metro Behavioral Risk Factor Data System. This system is helping to inform the design of such initiatives as fitness campaigns and smoking cessation programs.

Dr. Troutman also holds a Frederick Douglas Visiting Professorship from the University of Louisville School of Pan African studies. He has served on the adjunct faculty of Fort Valley State University Department of Public Health, 2002-2003; on the adjunct faculty of Emory University's Rollins School of Public Health, 2002-2003; as a clinical associate professor of the Morehouse School of Medicine, 2001-present; and as assistant clinical professor of the University of Medicine & Dentistry of New Jersey, 1995-97.

Dr. Troutman holds an M.D. from the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey as well as an M.P.H. from the Columbia University School of Public Health. Dr. Troutman also earned an M.A. in Black Studies from the State

University of New York. He served a residency and internship in Family Medicine at the Medical University of South Carolina.

Dr. Troutman has also served as the Director of the Fulton County Department of Health and Wellness, Atlanta Georgia's health department. He also served as a senior scientist for Community Health and Preventive Medicine at the Morehouse School of Medicine where he worked with former U.S. Surgeon David Satcher on a study of racial disparities in the delivery of health care.

This work led to the publication of the article "What If We Were Equal?" in March 2005 in a special issue of the journal *Health Affairs*. On March 9<sup>th</sup>, Dr. Troutman unveiled the study to the National Press Club in Washington D.C. and was also interviewed that night the Public Broadcasting System's *News Hour with Jim Lehrer*.

Dr. Troutman has also served as the Director of Emergency Medical Services for the United Hospitals Medical Center in Newark, New Jersey; as Medical Director and Acting Health Officer of the Newark Department of Health and Human Services; and as Medical Director of the North Newark Health Center.

Dr. Troutman's many leadership positions include the Chair of the Health and Social Justice Advisory Committee of the National Association of County and City Health Officials, the governing board of American Public Health Association, the Board of Directors of the Jomandi Theatre Company, and the Presidency of the Black Caucus of Health Workers.